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Dear Sir:

This confirms a telephone conversation between Examiner Douglas A. Wille and Applicant's Attorney, Arik Ranson on May 21, 2003. No exhibit was shown or demonstration conducted. Claim 1 was discussed, and the reference Gotzenbrucker et al was discussed. Agreement was not reached.

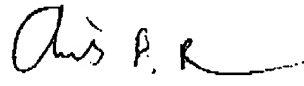
Claim 1 was discussed, including the feature that a depth of material defines a removal region having a profile that varies substantially smoothly along the removal region. The Remarks of the previously-filed Amendment, explaining that the phrase "substantially smoothly" defined a non-stepwise profile, were also discussed. Figure 3 of Gotzenbrucker was discussed, and Applicant's attorney stated his belief that, due to the multiple-etch

method used to remove material in Gotzenbrucker, a stepwise profile is necessarily shown. The Examiner stated that he was not convinced that the profile in Figure 3 of Gotzenbrucker is stepwise, citing angle α along flank length $L/2$ as, according to the Examiner, teaching a smooth variation. The Examiner also stated his belief that the figures of the present invention show a (basically) linear profile.

Respectfully submitted,

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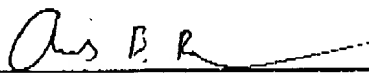
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